

## Infant Christ Child Pictured

### Stamp Marks Italian Education Centenary

Italy has just released a large-format 25 Lire gray-green stamp to commemorate the Centenary of Professional Instruction in that country, says P. Ostrow, Burlington, Vt.



The stamp shows a young student pointing to a drawing board which bears what appears to be a problem in geometry. In his left hand is a smaller drawing board and instruments. To his right are a triangle and compass, an Etruscan vase and a hammer and anvil.

The inscription around the vertical borders reads "Celebrazioni Centenario Istruzione Professionale" (Centenary Celebrations of Professional Instruction). At the lower left, "Fermo/1955". It was designed by G. Savini. Printing is by photogravure on star-watermarked paper and distributed in sheets of 40.

### Two Illinois Cities Have HPO Inaugural

Special cancellations only will be provided for the inaugural trips on a new Highway Post Office Service route between Rockford and Peoria, Ill. According to the Post Office Department it will start on or about November 16.

The initial trip from Rockford will be designated Trip 5, and that from Peoria, Trip 6.

Special first trip postmarks will be provided at Rockford and Peoria. Collectors desiring first-trip cancellations should send covers for Trip 5 to the Postmaster, Rockford, Ill., and for Trip 6 to Postmaster, Peoria, Ill. Requests for the first trip HPO service should accompany prepared covers.

Envelopes must bear a name and address, a 3c stamp, contain a stuffer and have the flaps sealed or turned in. No cachet will be prepared for this route start.

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MR. CLAUDE BOTTIAU, DESIGNER of the 10th Anniversary United Nations Day stamps is shown autographing a special first day cover, which he presented to Joseph L. Eckhouse, center standing, executive head, Gimbels, New York. Looking on are Reidar Tvedt, left, Postal Administrator, and Jacques Minkus, right, manager of Gimbels Stamp Department. The occasion was the special United Nations Day celebration and exhibition held in the stamp and coin department.

### Stamps Of New South Wales And Non-Australian Pacific Island Group Postal Service

The growth of the General Post Office at Sydney as the main point of mail exchange for correspondence between the scattered island residents of the British Solomon Islands, New Hebrides, Gilbert and Ellice Islands and New Caledonia commenced at the time the first white pioneers were permanently establishing themselves in mission stations and trading posts in the groups named.

Because practically all mails from and to those islands were routed through Sydney, the New South Wales Post Office Department gradually evolved a postal system which catered broadly for residents in those nearer island groups where postal facilities were completely lacking, or had progressed sufficiently to provide an adequate service.

The system was not, even at its most advanced stage, a formal procedure laid down by regulation and its operation was subject to constant variation because of unstable factors.

The significant features of the Pacific mail services, as controlled from Sydney, were the availability and regularity of transport, the routes and points touched by mail-carrying vessels, the classes of mails which could be carried, the composition or make-up of the mails and, particularly in regard to postal articles from the islands, the methods to be recognized in respect to the prepayment of postage.

This last aspect is the main subject of this article but as its

consideration is affected by contemporary events these will be introduced as found relevant.

#### Prepayment of Postage

Distinctive officially authorized postage stamps were first issued in New Caledonia in 1860; British Solomon Islands in 1907; New Hebrides in 1908 and the Gilbert and Ellice Islands in 1911. Excluding New Caledonia, which will be considered separately, the postal position in regard to the other three island groups was that, from the time of the first white settlements, the islanders had either to arrange to have cash lodged with the letters on arrival at the General Post Office, Sydney, to enable the requisite stamps to be affixed and further transmission effected, or to acquire and affix to letters postage stamps acceptable to the New South Wales post office.

For many years the former method was the usual procedure but, as island settlement increased, it became the practice of

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### Holydays Of The Christmas Season Theme Of Luxembourg Annual Caritas Semipostals

The new-born Christ Child of the first Christmas will be pictured in one of the stamp designs Luxembourg has prepared for release on December 5. Additional ones symbolically show the toys received on St. Nicholas Day, and the ceremony of selecting the king for the day on Epiphany. The Administration of Posts and Telegraphs of Luxembourg advises that it will service up to ten first day covers with sets for any one collector, the stamps at face value. Collectors can also purchase mint copies at face plus return postage.

There are six denominations with the designs being distributed one to every two values. St. Nicholas Day is shown on the 25c plus 5c brownish red, and orange pink, and the 2fr plus 25c dark brown, and light brown.



The representation of Christmas Day is on the 80c plus 20c greenish black and light gray, and the 4fr plus 50c greenish dark blue and light blue. Epiphany is found on the 1.20fr plus 30c greenish gray and yellow olive, and the 7fr plus 3.45 brown violet and reddish light violet.

These semipostals are the annual Caritas set the funds from which will be devoted to charitable institutions. This issue rounds off the series of stamps dedicated to Luxembourg folk-



Celebration of the above-named holidays is done a bit differently in Luxembourg than in the United States. St. Nicholas Day, December 6, is the one on which children receive presents — it is a school holiday. Bright and busy the youngsters go from their parents to grandparents, from uncles to aunts, to collect the presents which the kindly saint has left them. These consist mainly of dried fruit, toys and cakes. Toys, cookies and fruit are shown in the stamp design.

Christmas Day itself is observed with traditional religious practices. These take place within the parish churches and the homes, with carols and hymns sung around the Christmas tree and the Crib. The stamp design pictures the Christ Child in swaddling clothes with a lamb be-

side him. Epiphany, also known as Twelfth Night, or Feast of the Three Kings (or Wise Men) comes on January 6. It is customary to elect a king within each household or community. A bean is baked into a cake and whoever finds the bean in his portion when the cake is cut and served, becomes king.

A Luxembourg artist, Auguste Tremont, conceived the designs. Printing is at the Swiss firm of Courvoisier in sheets of 25 subjects by photogravure.

They will be on sale from the first day, December 5 to February 11 — validity for postage use expires on December 31, 1956.



Total face value of the six stamps is 20 francs which amounts to 40c in U. S. currency. Payment for mint sets, or for sets to be affixed to first day covers can be made by international money orders, bank drafts or certified checks. Currency or stamps are not accepted.

For shipments amounting to less than 100fr the postage and registration fees of 9 francs (18 U. S.) are to be borne by the addressee. In all other cases the philatelic service will bear such costs.

Not more than ten envelopes with a name and address, containing a filler and with the flaps either sealed or turned in, will be accepted from any one person for first day cancellation. The stamps will cost 40c (U. S.) per cover.

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## California Post Offices Enumerated

"A Century of California Post Offices", by Walter N. Frickstad, is an outline of the official history of all post offices ever established in California, some 4240, since the beginning in 1848. Anyone interested in the history of California towns, where the post office has always been one of the important factors in community development, will find this book invaluable.

Part I shows the date of appointment of the first postmaster for each office, and any subsequent discontinuance, reestablishment or change of name. It also shows the county wherein the post office was established and the shift if reassigned. For the 1848-1930 period the information was drawn from a microfilm of the "Records of Appointments of Postmasters," the original hand-written records of the Post Office Department now preserved in the National Archives. The data for the later years through 1954 comes from the "Postal Bulletin."

In the original records the post offices are carried under the name of the county of their site, and the same arrangement has been followed in this compilation. Thus the complete county postal history is conveniently assembled. The need for a statewide alphabetical list is met by the index which shows the county site of each office.

For the benefit of those who want to dig deeper into the California Postal History of the 1850 period, twenty-one lists, enumerated in the Table of Contents, are assembled in Part II. List 1 is a convenient summary drawn from Part I; seven are lists published by newspapers and others in California during that decade; six are drawn from the official "Register," compiled in those days by the Department of State.

Two appendices resolve most of the uncertainties and conflicts in early county placement of offices, and explain the function of the first "Special Agents" by quoting their 1848-49 correspondence with the Postmaster General.

The printing is limited to five hundred copies. The volume has 415 pages, with flexible cover, and is being distributed by the Philatelic Research Society, 3822 Harrison St., Oakland 11, Calif. The price is \$12.50, plus applicable sales tax.

## Modesto Host To NCPS Show, Meeting

The annual convention and exhibition of the Council of Northern California Philatelic Societies will be held November 12 and 13 in the Hotel Covell at Modesto. The Stanislaus Stamp Club of Modesto is the host club.

All of the 26 units of which the Council is composed have expressed a desire to be represented. It is expected that a total of about 400 frames will be shown.

The Post Office Department will exhibit and a temporary post office will be in operation. Mail will be stamped with the special exhibition post office cancellation.

A banquet will be held at 6:30 p.m. at which awards for exhibition winners will be given. The banquet will be followed by an auction of material offered by council members.

Sunday forenoon will be devoted to escorting visitors to points of interest in Stanislaus County. Another auction will be held at 1:30 p.m. The annual business meeting of the Council will start at 2:30 p.m. In addition to the regular business, the election and installation of the officers for 1956 will take place. A bourse of about ten dealers will operate throughout the show.

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In stating this in Australia, Postmaster-General H. L. Anthony said that last year's stamp attracted considerable attention abroad and the reissue would assist to arouse further overseas interest in Australia and the Olympic Games next year.

Mr. Anthony explained that stamps of 2-shillings (24c U.S.) denomination have a wide distribution in overseas countries as 2-shillings represented the postage rate on a single unit airmail letter to the United Kingdom, U. S., Canada, Europe, Africa and most of Asia.

Except for the color, the new stamp will be the same as that of 1954, the design being based on the winning Olympic Games poster, representing an invitation to Melbourne, designed by Richard L. Beck of Sandringham, Victoria.

The stamp will be of the same size and format as previously (24.05 mm x 37.5 mm) and will be printed on unwatermarked paper and issued in sheets of 80.

It will be issued on November 30, and will remain on sale at Australian post offices for about a month.

## Commission Prepares Special FD Covers

The Woodrow Wilson Centennial Commission of Virginia announces that it will issue an official cacheted envelope and will handle first-day covers in connection with the issuance of the new 7c Woodrow Wilson stamp in Staunton, on January 10.

Staunton is the birthplace of Woodrow Wilson and January 10 marks the 26th anniversary of the inauguration at Geneva of the League of Nations, which President Wilson fathered and championed.

Plans are being made to mail first-day covers from the Woodrow Wilson Birthplace, with stamps affixed and cancelled in the room in which Woodrow Wilson was born 100 years previously.

The cost of covers to be mailed from the Woodrow Wilson Birthplace, Staunton, Va., with stamps affixed and cancelled in the room of Wilson's birth, will be: Single on cover 25c each; Pairs on cover, 35c each; Blocks of four on cover, 45c each; Plate blocks on cover 85c each.

## Hevia Catalogs For Spain And Colonies

The annual twin catalogs published by Filatelica Hevia, Mayor 13, Madrid, Spain are now in their 1956 editions. These are for Spain, and for the Colonies and ex-Colonies of Spain, respectively.

Language of the text is Spanish and the pricing in Pesetas. Material has a presentation in a general rather than specialized form. However, many of the items which are never recorded in the general catalogs of other nations, are to be found in both these Hevia's.

Binding of each is in stiff card covers. The illustrations are plentiful. Spain has 58 pages and the Colonies 82. Inquiries can be sent to the company at the address above.

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The annual dinner of this airmail stamp organization will follow at 7 p.m. at The Hotel Victoria. The guest of honor will be L. W. Charlatt, one of the oldest living stamp dealers in the United States. A good part of Mr. Charlatt's latter career was devoted to airmail stamps.

Mr. Charlatt is not only respected by the whole of philately as a stamp dealer, but also for his knowledge and study of airmail stamps. His great fund of information has been given freely to all.

## Exhibition Honors Czech Liberators

Saturday and Sunday, November 26 and 27 will mark an historic occasion for the Czechoslovak Philatelic Society. The two days will commemorate the 10th exhibition of the society to be held in Stefanik Hall, 2448-50 South Pulaski Road, Chicago.

The show is planned to honor the three Czechoslovak statesmen; Masaryk, Benes and Stefanik, whose names are no longer mentioned in the country they helped liberate and establish as an independent democratic republic.

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In the design are a sculpture, the Monument of Peace, and the UN emblem. The statue is the work of Yugoslavian sculptor Antun Augustinac.

**Sassone Catalog For  
Italy, Vatican City**

In a 15th edition is the 1956 appearance of the Sassone Catalog for Italy, Trieste and Vatican City. This is the reference book printed in Milan, Italy which is generally considered the buying and selling "bible" of Italian collectors and those who follow this field.

This current edition is in 117 pages and is said to have pricings based realistically on the current market in Italy. Language is Italian and the valuations in Lire.

Copies can be obtained in the United States from the firm's exclusive agent the Penny Black Stamp Co., 116 Nassau St., New York 38, N.Y.

**6th Annual Warner  
Stamp Market Report**

A now annual publication, the current one is the sixth, which gets a lot of attention from stamp dealers and collectors is "Frank Warner's Market Report". It is edited and published by Frank Warner, assisted by his son Walter A., dealers at 109 Nassau St., New York 38, N.Y.

This 24-page brochure is far from being a stamp dealer's house organ, although in an obscure viewpoint it could be that since the firm claims the largest stock in the world, of the world. The initiated know that it gives Mr. Warner's opinions as to the inherent value and collectability of all the world's issues, country by country.

As a matter of fact, the Report would make a needed piece of reading for anyone planning the beginning of another country or countries collection, especially if popularity and future satisfactory liquidation are a requirement. For such abstracts are just what makes the meat of the Warner presentation.

True, the opinions expressed are those of the Warners. However, they are based on the trends of their own substantial business, consultation with other dealers and wholesalers, and visits to some of the foreign nations where first hand facts are gathered.

The almost 100% success of the Warner predictions in the previous five editions of the Report are some indication that the opinions are authoritative.

There is no question about the popularity of those nations and sections such as the U. S., Canada, British West Indies, Switzerland Israel and Vatican City. But what about certain nations of South and Central America, Yugoslavia, Russia, Korea, China and others? For all, the report has facts and honest opinions to offer.

The Market Report is priced at 50¢ and can be gotten at the address above.

Frank Warner also has a 120-page book "All About Stamps" which is made up of 17 previous articles he has written and which have appeared in the philatelic press. They have constructive and informative reading about the hobby presented with some humor. It sells for 75¢.

Both the report and the book can be bought together for \$1.

**Cuban T-B Seal  
On First Day Cover**

In connection with the Cuban International Centenary Philatelic Exhibition the Anti-Tuberculosis Society has issued a miniature sheet containing one of the 1955 seals.

These will be placed on covers and cancelled the first day of the exhibition by the sponsoring society. Cost is 20¢ per one on cover.

Address all requests to Club Filatelico Cuba, P.O. Box 678, Havana, Cuba.

**Poitz President Of  
Community Stamp Club**

Officers for the new year have been elected by the members of the Community Stamp Club of Alton, Ill. They are president H. A. Poitz; vice president H. R. Helvie; treasurer C. H. Lessner; secretary D. Landis, 31 Marietta, Alton, Ill.

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UNITED STATES			Lot # Cat. Value			Lot # Cat. Value			Lot # Cat. Value		
2430 3 thin spots			56 * #RW3 F NG			104 * BAHAMAS #18 F			171 * #C5-7 VG-F		
small tear in margin			57 * #RW3 F NG straight edge			105 * #98 VF pair			172 * #C1-12 VF cpl.		
270a F 1 perf. missing			58 * #RW4 VF			106 * #103 F-VF 10 copies			173 * ST. CHRISTOPHER #10 F		
2153 F OC			59 * #RW5 VF plate # single			107 * BAHRAIN #23-3 F cpl.			174 * ST. KITTS-NEVIS #92		
2154 F OC			60 * #RW6 F NG straight edge			108 * BERMUDA #200a VF			175 * F scarce		
2214 F OC			61 * #RW7 VF plate # single			109 * BR. GUIANA #240-41 VF			176 * #92 VF scarce		
2249 F			62 * #RW8 F NG			110 * BR. HONDURAS #228-30, 33-41			177 * #154-58 VF cpl.		
2300 31 F-VF			63 * #RW9 VF plate # single			111 * 47 F-VF OG 2 shades of 47			178 * #198 VF block of 4		
2324-25 VG-F			64 * #RW10 VF plate # single			112 * #39-40, 42, 97-99 F-VF OG			179 * #SEYCHELLES #145-48 VF		
2325-26 F cpl.			65 * #RW11 VF plate # single			113 * #68 F-VF			180 * S.W. AFRICA #135-58 VF cpl.		
2326-27 VF imperf.			66 * #RW12 VF plate # single			114 * BR. SOLOMON IS. #73 &			181 * #155-58 VF 106 20 copies		
2327-28 VF imperf.			67 * #RW13 VF plate # block of 8			115 * CANADA #50-55 F-VF OG			182 * #159-68 VF cpl. Jubilee		
2329 F			68 * all cacheted			116 * #50 & 55 F			183 * #185-98 VF cpl.		
2331 VF block of 4			69 * #756-65 imperf National Parks cpl. cacheted FDC			117 * #57-59 VG-F OG			184 * #199-215 VF cpl. in pairs		
2332 VF imperf.			70 * #884-88 FDC matched cachets			118 * #96 cpl. sheet of 100 folded in half some cracks in margin			185 * #C1-2 VF cpl.		
2334 F			71 * #889-73 FDC matched cachets			119 * #98-103 F-VF cpl.			186 * #C2-3 VF cpl.		
2335 F			72 * #890-73 FDC matched cachets			120 * #97 VF 20 copies in bks			187 * #C5-8 F-VF cpl.		
2336 F			73 * #891-73 FDC matched cachets			121 * #105 F corner block of 25 stamps			188 * STRAITS SETTLEMENTS		
2337 F			74 * #892-73 FDC matched cachets			122 * #107 VF blk of 45 stamps			189 * #213-229 F-VF		
2338 F			75 * #893-73 FDC matched cachets			123 * #108 VF blk of 27 stamps with P1 # some perfs			190 * KEDAH #246-55 VF		
2339 F			76 * #894-88 FDC matched cachets			124 * #109 VF block of 45 stamps separated			191 * SINGAPORE #214-15 VF #2 & #3 val.		
2340 F			77 * #895-88 FDC matched cachets			125 * #125-29 VF cpl. sheets of 100 ea.			192 * #16-17 VF cpl. Silver Wed.		
2341 F			78 * #896-88 FDC matched cachets			126 * #210 F block of 4			193 * SUDAN #51-56 VF		
2342 F			79 * #897-88 FDC matched cachets			127 * #211 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			194 * TANGANYIKA #22-34		
2343 F			80 * #898-88 FDC matched cachets			128 * #212 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			195 * TASMANIA #62, 70, 81 F-VF		
2344 F			81 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			129 * #213 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			196 * #101-107 F-VF		
2345 F			82 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			130 * #214 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			197 * #114-18 F-VF cpl.		
2346 F			83 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			131 * #215 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			198 * #119-120 F-VF cpl.		
2347 F			84 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			132 * #216 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			199 * #63-69 F-VF cpl. exc.		
2348 F			85 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			133 * #217 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			200 * #70-72 F-VF scarce set		
2349 F			86 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			134 * #218 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			201 * #73-81 F-VF cpl.		
2350 F			87 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			135 * #219 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			202 * #86 VF blk of 4		
2351 F			88 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			136 * #220 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			203 * #87 VF blk of 4		
2352 F			89 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			137 * #221 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			204 * #88 VF blk of 4		
2353 F			90 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			138 * #222 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			205 * TRANSVAAL #123/251 VF 63 var mostly in cpl sets mounted in special booklet		
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2355 F			92 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			140 * #224 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			207 * #95, 97, 100 F		
2356 F			93 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			141 * #225 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			208 * #103-107 F-VF cpl.		
2357 F			94 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			142 * #226 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			209 * TRINIDAD & TOBAGO		
2358 F			95 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			143 * #227 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			210 * #10 F		
2359 F			96 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			144 * #228 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			211 * #50-61 VF 5 val.		
2360 F			97 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			145 * #229 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			212 * #63 F block of 15		
2361 F			98 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			146 * #230 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			213 * TURKS & CAICOS #13 F		
2362 F			99 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			147 * #231 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			214 * #53-55 F-VF		
2363 F			100 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			148 * #232 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			215 * #128-140 VF cpl.		
2364 F			101 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			149 * #233 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			216 * #86 VF block of 4		
2365 F			102 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			150 * #234 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			217 * #86 VF block of 4		
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2370 F			107 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			155 * #239 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			222 * #128-43 cpl. in strips and pairs VF		
2371 F			108 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			156 * #240 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			223 * #B9-18 G-F cpl.		
2372 F			109 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			157 * #241 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			224 * #C1-12 VF cpl.		
2373 F			110 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			158 * #242 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			225 * #C3 VF		
2374 F			111 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			159 * #243 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			226 * #C5-6 VF blocks of 4 cpl.		
2375 F			112 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			160 * #244 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			227 * VIRGIN IS. #1 VF		
2376 F			113 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			161 * #245 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			228 * #33 VF		
2377 F			114 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			162 * #246 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			229 * #12-14 thru 10/ F-VF		
2378 F			115 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			163 * #247 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			230 * ZANZIBAR #129-33		
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2384 F			121 * #899-88 FDC matched cachets			169 * #253 strip of 2 singles of 206 & 210 on VF cover sent to Germany Worth \$15.00			236 * #6 F		
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BY CARL P. RUETH

You'd think sooner or later the officials of the United Nations Postal Administration would brighten up to the facts of philatelic life. They have just been responsible for another tremendous "lousing up" of public relations with the world's stamp collectors, especially those who can buy their stamps at UN Headquarters in New York City.

They ran out of the 15c 10th Anniversary of the United Nations souvenir sheet!

Long lines of collectors at the UN Building were not able to buy this item at face for their collections, or for use on first day covers. They couldn't buy them because a number of people, mostly dealers, bought anywhere from several hundred to several thousand of them, each.

Such purchasers were well within their rights for as long as the UN sold the sheet they came by them in a legitimate and honorable manner.

However, shortly after 12 noon the word went out that the souvenir sheets were sold out. Collectors in line were left holding the bag. Persons along First Ave., or United Nations Plaza as that part of First is called, with a stock were peddling them at from 50c up per one. You can hardly blame such people for making a killing.

The UN Postal Administration's official news release stated there would be a printing of 200,000. From a reliable source of information it is learned that this figure was chosen after a consultation between the Chief of the Administration and certain New York City dealers and philatelists.

The UN stamps have been a debatable thing from the first. As of today it seems that everyone buys or uses them except the offices actually located in the UN area - they use meters for their postage requirements!

The UN Postal Administration got into hot water in its original release of the UN precancel. Then again last year in its handling of the revised UN Aerogramme. And now the fiasco of the souvenir sheet.

It would seem that the Chief of the UN Postal Administration would get himself another group of advisers right quick after three public relations foul balls such as the above. Most good executives would have parted with them after the first wrong guess.

1. On which stamp can you see the "Tower of the Sun"?
2. Charlotte Amalie is a girl, ship, city (choose one), pictured on what stamp?

Joseph Barkman of East Tawas, Mich. calls my attention to a new post office located at Meramec Caverns near Stanton, Mo. opened October 16.

This is said to have been used as a hide-out by the Jesse James gang of the 1870's. The cave post office was created to meet the demand of tourists for a souvenir postmark of the place.

From several generous readers I have received copies of the perpetual calendars which enable one to determine on what day of the week a date has fallen in the past, or will fall on in the future. These came in after my mention here that I had no such item, and would use it to determine if any other U. S. commems had been released on a Sunday besides the Ft. Ticonderoga.

I haven't had the opportunity to complete the search, but Larry Leibowitz of Brooklyn, N. Y. says that the 3c Oglethorpe of February 12, 1933, and the 3c Washington Inaugural of April 30, 1939 were Sunday stamps.

The perpetual calendars were sent by H. M. Hoffer, Cleveland, Ohio; Elmer C. Morgan, Winsted, Conn.; George W. Zoller, Buffalo, N. Y.; and C. E. Davis of Dallas, Texas says that such a calendar is

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free for the asking from E. C. DeWitt & Co., 2835 Sheffield Ave., Chicago 14, Ill. Now that's what Mr. Davis wrote, and I haven't checked its veracity.

Besides the two above-named stamps, Henri B. Paulin, San Francisco, Calif. says the following had Sunday first days -

1c dark blue, type 1a, April 19, 1857.

1c blue, type 2, July 26, 1857.

3c pink, August 18, 1861.

15c black, April 15, 1866.

15c brown and blue, type 2, picture framed, May 23, 1869.

1c green, February 14, 1915.

1c green, December 12, 1915.

2c red, type 1, December 5, 1915.

2c carmine, booklet pane of six, October 8, 1916.

4c orange brown, April 15, 1917.

10c Booker T. Washington, April 7, 1940.

3c Pan American, April 14, 1940.

3c Emancipation, October 20, 1940.

With the Oglethorpe and Inauguration this makes a total of 15 stamps which have had Sunday first days. Mr. Paulin says his investigations indicate that Friday, Saturday and Monday seem to be the favorite days for giving new stamps a send-off.

**THANKS FOR THE COVERS**

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Those who had counted the American Catalog a dead duck after its successful initial appearance in 1953, are having to eat their opinions for this fine reference book is now in its second edition, a 1956. None was published last year.

It is produced by Minkus Publications, Inc. of New York City with the help of a distinguished editorial board, and sells for three dollars per copy.

It is the only other substantial catalog in the United States besides the Scott, dealing with all aspects of U. S. philately. While not nearly so specialized as its rival, it does have several advantages which I found desirable.

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Another is the short notes of historical or biographical interest which precede each stamp design listing. They have two advantages - one they acquaint the collector with the story of the stamp, and two, such notes can be "lifted" from the American and added to the album page as a write-up.

Still another is the data offered which simplifies the identification of the "look alike" designs.

Up until the past two years, we were a one-catalog nation of collectors, at least as far as U. S. issues were concerned. We're going to be a two-catalog one from here on in, it seems, and stamp fans are going to have to get used to identifications in Scott and American terms.

I have sincere thanks to tender to several friends who remembered me with souvenir programs of the 1/2c Franklin first day at Washington, D. C. October 20. And the nice part about it is that two different hand cancels were used.

One was from the temporary post office at the Washington Jubilee Exhibition at the Shoreham Hotel, and the other from the main post office.

These generous folks were W. F. Rayl of Clarksburg, W. Va.; Howard G. Brunsman or Arlington, Va.; Clarence E. Miller, Columbus, Ohio; Sam Poe, East Orange, N. J.

There were two programs. One was the exhibition, and the other the small four-sided special one just for the first day ceremonies.

1. The Golden Gate International Exposition issue of February 18, 1939.
2. A city pictured on the Virgin Island commem of December 15, 1937.

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ing on the proceeds.

## News From The Three Germanies

R. Y. Megan

### "WESTROPA" SPECIAL

Now that the "Westropa" has  
been and gone, and I am safely  
back in London, it is possible  
to review the whole affair from  
a rather more detached angle  
than has hitherto been the case.  
Coupled with the actual exhibi-  
tion was the 9th Federal Meet-  
ing of the "Bund Deutscher Phil-  
atelisten", the German Collec-  
tors' Federation, which speaks for  
the philatelists of the Federal  
Republic and West Berlin. The  
Eastern section is taken care of  
by a communist organization, the  
so-called "Kulturbund", of which  
I have written before.

Whilst I was in actual close  
touch with collectors and senior  
officials on the spot, I made some  
inquiries as to the relations exist-  
ing between the collectors of East  
and West Germany. They are  
close and cordial but not on an  
official level. The "Kulturbund"  
as an organ of the East German  
government, is banned in the  
West.

The philatelic magazine "Sam-  
mler-Express", (East Berlin)  
which acts as spokesman for the  
organization, published an ex-  
tremely derogatory note about  
"Westropa", forbidding Eastern  
collectors to take part in it, and  
accusing it of trying to sabotage  
the "Praga 1955" Exhibition  
which Czechoslovakia had organ-  
ized at the same time.

It so happened that the dates  
for "Westropa" were fixed be-  
fore those for "Praga 1955" were  
announced, and the Czech phil-  
atelic federation did not like the  
accusation one little bit. To dem-  
onstrate that no ill feeling exist-  
ed between "Praga 1955" and  
"Westropa", three prominent col-  
lectors on each side exhibited at  
the rival exhibition, thus cement-  
ing philatelic friendship and soli-  
darity.

At the time of writing,  
"Sammler-Express" is nursing its  
wounds and refusing to publish  
either the statement by the West  
German Federation or an apology  
for its political faux-pas,  
which has been demanded by the  
Czechoslovak group. Thus the  
philatelic politicians in East Ber-  
lin have slipped—and slipped  
badly—in trying to hurt the  
West. Not only did the West re-  
fuse to care, but also their po-  
litical pals in Prague were very  
annoyed at having words put in-  
to their mouths. For it must ne-  
ver be forgotten that Communism  
or no Communism, Czechs and  
Germans never did get on par-  
ticularly well together!

To try and atone for the error  
of their ways (albeit in private),  
the East German government  
was kind enough to allow lead-  
ing East German philatelists to  
visit Duesseldorf for the "West-  
ropa". The chairman of the  
"Hallensia" Philatelic Club, Kurt  
Zirckenbach, came specially to  
serve on the "Westropa" Jury,  
and was very warmly welcomed  
by all.

This extended, by the way, to  
every visitor from the Democrati-  
c Republic, who were forbidden  
by their government to take out  
any currency, and had to ex-  
change smuggled money at a  
ruinous rate of 5 to 1 in West  
Berlin.

I was most pleased to hear that  
West German collectors are be-  
ing exhorted by the Federation  
to exchange stamps with their  
East Zone partners at the rate  
of 1 Westmark to 1 Eastmark,  
because it takes just as long to  
earn a Mark in either country.  
Also, they have developed a  
sponsorship scheme, by which  
Western philatelic societies spon-  
sor an Eastern society, send them  
stamps and magazines, against  
the hope of an eventual normal-  
ization of relations, and in order  
to give Eastern collectors a  
chance of knowing what is going  
on.

### Tightly Organized Federation

I had, of course, heard about

the German genius for organiza-  
tion, but their philatelic line-up  
must be a world beater. I spoke  
to the chairman of the Federa-  
tion, Consul Herman Deninger,  
and asked him about the number  
of members, to which (somewhat  
to my surprise) he answered:  
"Nine". The explanation lies that  
only "Land" Associations of Phil-  
atelic Societies can be members  
of the Federation, and that there  
are nine of these Associations,  
divided into the geographical  
"Lands" of the Federal German  
Republic.

Each association has, however,  
numerous local societies, and the  
total of organized collectors ap-  
proximates 25,000.

There are also nine "Federal  
Divisions" from A to I, each of  
which deals with a separate as-  
pect of philately. On the occasion  
of the Federation Day, leaders  
of the nine divisions presented  
their reports, and gave evidence  
as to their activities.

They comprised the following  
fields: Division A—Study Circles;  
B—Literature; C—Expertization;  
D—Anti-Forgery; E—Legal Mat-  
ters; F—Philatelic Radio Propa-  
ganda; G—Press; H—Exhibi-  
tions; I—Youth.

### Forgeries Rife

In their reports, the leaders  
raised a number of interesting  
points. There were, for instance,  
91 different study circles in ex-  
istence, covering almost every  
possible aspect of philately and  
its marginalia, ranging from huge  
fields like "Postal History" to  
specialized topics like "Official  
Mail During the Second World  
War, German Occupied Territo-  
ries".

Somewhat curious was the as-  
sertion that some of these groups  
refrained from publishing their  
findings other than in limited  
circular letters to members be-  
cause it was feared that others  
might "profit" from their labors  
without being member, and sub-  
scribing to the Study Circle or  
the Federation.

Of more serious concern was  
the statement that philatelic fak-  
ing and forgery is legal in Ger-  
many. Many attempts had been  
made to introduce legislation, but  
as this could only be done with  
the assistance of the postal au-  
thorities, who always seemed to  
have more pressing problems on  
their hands, efforts to date had  
been in vain.

The relevant paragraph in the  
Reich Law Statutes, No. 273, had  
been interpreted by a High Court  
Decision as long ago as 1871 to  
refer solely to valid postal emis-  
sions (i. e. it restricted punish-  
ment for forgery to those at-  
tempting to defraud the revenue).  
Since then, philatelic activity has  
become a good deal more wide-  
spread, and legislation was real-  
ly urgently required.

Of equal interest was also the  
exposition by Mr. Schurmann.  
He is an income tax expert and  
leader of Division E on income  
tax problems as they affect Ger-  
man philatelists and philatelic  
societies. The details are of little  
interest except in the implica-  
tion that unless the collector is  
very careful, his hobby becomes  
a taxable activity!

### Post Offices' Official Support

To come to the exhibition it-  
self, it was a very fine show,  
with strong thematic and airmail  
sections, and powerful support  
from fourteen or fifteen West  
European postal administrations  
who displayed frames of material  
from their files, arranged in  
tastefully painted bays, showing  
a motif or symbol related to the  
country exhibiting.

This, together with an attractive  
display of flags, enlarged photo-  
graphs etc. representative of  
most modern exhibition tech-  
niques, was paid for by the West  
German post office at a cost of  
\$15,000. They could well afford  
to do so out of the revenue ac-  
cruing to them from the sale of  
"Westropa" stamps alone (whose  
charity surcharge was devoted to  
the German Philatelic Federation  
for financing the hire of the ex-  
hibition and all other expenses).

The gallery was taker up en-  
tirely by these exhibits, which  
included showings from Federal  
Germany (splendid Thurn &  
Taxis material in sheets, postal

history relating to same, and  
much else of kindred interest);  
West Berlin (a cross section  
through the many phases of the  
Berlin stamps in the 10 years  
existence of the local postal ad-  
ministration); Saar (original  
drawings, proofs, and attractively  
mounted sheets of post-war is-  
sues); Belgium (commemoratives  
since 1915); Denmark (modern  
mint sheets); France (recent is-  
sues mounted in huge poster-  
painted symbolical panels); Great  
Britain (regrettably the poorest  
showing of the lot, with four  
frames straight from the walls  
of the G.P.O., London, showing  
the first sheet of the Penny Black,  
the 1½d sheet of Queen Victoria  
with the OP-PC error, part  
sheets of the rare "I.R. Officials"  
of King Edward VII, 10/- and  
£1 values; and the unused 2d  
"Tyrian Plum" of the same mon-  
arch).

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blocks of 4); Yugoslavia (origi-  
nal designs, proofs and finished  
recent commemoratives); Lux-  
embourg (designs and progressive  
proofs of 1952 and later is-  
sues); Netherlands (Postal Mu-  
seum displays of classics and  
drawings, progressive proofs etc,  
of pre-war series of semipostals);  
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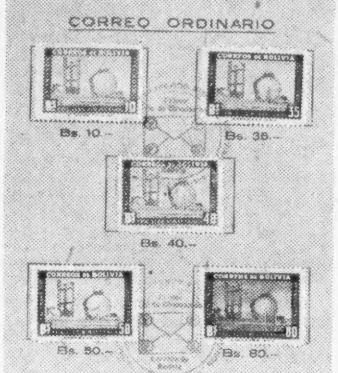
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On the airmails is pictured oil derricks. These values are 55, 70, 90, 500 and 1000 Bolivianos. Complete sets are limited to 80,000 the quantity printed for the high value; of the 500Bs. there are a quarter million and for the others, a million or more.

According to V. Reznicek, Casilla 1503, La Paz, Bolivia, the postal administration produced a special card on which the ten stamps could be mounted and then tied to it with a special first day of issue postmark. The card was sold at 360Bs over the face of the stamps attached.

The cancellation used for the card was used on no other item. It can be seen in the illustration which pictures the regular part of the set. In the circle is Primer dia de Circulacion, and Correos de Bolivia, plus the outline of the back of an envelope in the four corners of which are the circled letters YPF (Yacimientos Petroliferos Fiscales Bolivianos).

Printing of the regulars was by La Papelera S.A.; and of the airmails by Litograficas Unidas, both local firms.

## German Commem For UN Anniversary

From the German Federal Republic on October 24, the 10th anniversary of the Founding of the United Nations, came a single 10pf commemorative in honor of the event. The design reproduces the emblem of the world body and bears the anniversary date and the legend "Tag Der Vereinten Nationen" (Day of the United Nations).



The stamp was suggested by the Information Office of the Society for the United Nations at Godesberg on the Rhine.

The German Federal Republic is a member of ten affiliated groups of the UN and has a permanent observer with the UN in New York City.

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Also released on the same day, October 24, according to Otto G. Arnold of Upper Montclair, N. J., is a 10 pf green for Adelbert Stifter, well known writer and poet. Stifter has appeared on stamps previously, mostly on those of Austria.

The sesquicentennial of Stifter's birth is marked by the stamp he having lived from 1805 to 1868. In the design is a monument and the outlines of trees.

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### M W DATED

The first of the MW Dateds noted on a 1c Bureau from Baltimore, Md. The dating is for April 55. On close examination I note the M is missing. Under a glass I can't see a trace of the "M" so it probably was left off in the slug or was broken off. These are the things collectors look for. Double imprints, inverted imprints, date missing, etc.

### 8c ROTARY.

The first of these to come to my attention was from Matamoras, Penna. Type is U-121 wide. Because of the very dark color the precancellation does not show up too well but it sure would live up a page of precancels in a Pennsylvania collection.

### FINKSBURG MARYLAND.

I understand that some firm is using quite an assortment of precancels in this city. I have seen the 2c Prexy, 3c Liberty, 20c Prexy and the \$1 Prexy. The cancelling is not too distinct but then it is quite evident these stamps were not made for collectors but for general postal duty.



**Nov. 7—Matthew Bennett, 2905 Cortland Ave., Detroit 6, Mich. Fine array of Cape Triangles, British Empire.**

**Nov. 5-7—Ralph Orton, 116-L Nassau St., New York 38, N. Y. 19th and 20th century U. S. incl. sheets, wholesale.**

**Nov. 7-8—H. R. Harmer, Inc. 6 W. 48th St., New York 36, N. Y. Collection postal stationery western franks.**

**Nov. 8—Shelton Co., P. O. Box 907, Church St., New York 38, N. Y. U. S. incl. used, plates and wholesale.**

**Nov. 10—Stamp Studio, P. O. Box 11, New York 24, N. Y. Airmails, Israel, British Empire, General, wholesale.**

**Nov. 10—Beekman Stamp Co., 5 Beekman St., New York 38, N. Y. U. S. incl. private coils and wholesale.**

**Nov. 10—Lee Gilbert, 116 Nassau St., New York 38, N. Y. United States incl. Columbians, Omahas, plates, white.**

**Nov. 12—Walter Tolkach, 355 Bert Ave., Trenton, N. J. Europe, Latin America, Covers, Souvenir Sheets.**

**Nov. 12—Meridian Stamp Co., 2351 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, Ind. U. S. British Empire, General and Collections.**

**Nov. 15—Robert Hase, 820 W. 9th St., Corona, Calif. U. S. Canal Zone, South America, Europe and Collections.**

**Nov. 15—Union Stamp Co., 240 Broadway, New York 7, N. Y. U. S. British Empire, General Foreign mint and used.**

**Nov. 15—H. Lazarus, 29 Wadsworth Ave., New York 33, N. Y. Postal History material covers and cancellations.**

**Nov. 15—H. R. Harmer, Inc., 6 W. 48th St., New York 36, N. Y. Postmasters' Provisionals of the Caspary Collection.**

**Nov. 16-17—F. R. Ferryman, 505 Fifth Ave., New York 17, N. Y. United States, General Foreign, British Commonwealth.**

**Nov. 19—Chauncey R. Wright, 119 Harvard St., Rochester 7, N. Y. United States and General Foreign.**

**Nov. 21-23—Mercury Stamp Co., 522 Fifth Ave., New York 36, N. Y. British Emp., Japan, Europe and General.**

**Nov. 22—Star Stamp Co., 503 Fifth Ave., New York 17, N. Y. Israel, British Emp., General, Europe & Colonies.**

**Nov. 22—Hobbs Stamp Co., 38 Park Row, New York 38, N. Y. U. S. exclusively, 19th & 20th, sheets, wholesale.**

**Nov. 25, 26—Billig & Rich, Inc., 55 W. 42nd St., New York 36, N. Y. U. S. and Poss., Latin America, General.**

**Nov. 28—Matthew Bennett, 2905 Cortland Ave., Detroit 6, Mich. U. S., British Coils, Airs, General Foreign.**

**Nov. 28-30—F. R. Harmer, Inc., 6 W. 48th St., New York 36, N. Y. U. S., Swiss, British Commonwealth, General.**

**Nov. 30—Jim F. Webb, 27 Parkside Dr., Toronto 3, Canada. South Sea Islands, Canada, British Empire.**

**Dec. 5—H. B. Zeitlin, 1795-L Riverside Dr., New York 34, N. Y. 30 volume general collection of the world.**

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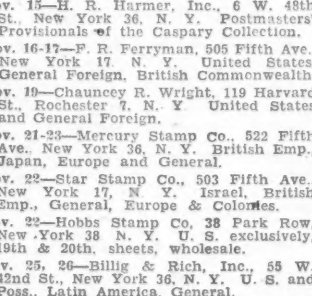
**Dec. 5—Irving Gordon, 25 Beaver St., New York 4, N. Y. United States mint, used, sheets, plates and wholesale.**

**Dec. 9—Michael M. Karen, 1467 Greenport Rd., Far Rockaway, N. Y. United States and Philatelic Literature.**

**Dec. 12-14—H. R. Harmer, Inc., 6 W. 48th St., New York 36, N. Y. Mint and used stamps of the world.**

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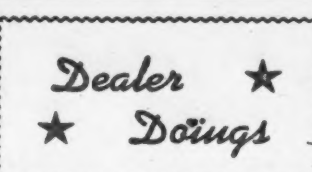
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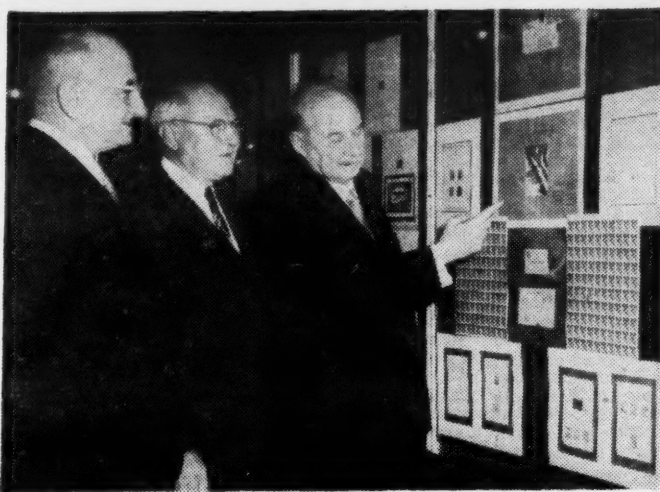
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#### The Presidentials, Who Collects Them?

Although they do not compare in number to the collectors of commemorative issues, nevertheless there are very many plate block and plate single collectors of the last Presidential series, which came out in 1938. It is interesting to know, who are those collectors? Certainly no one can answer that question comprehensively. As a rule it is usually the most serious and advanced collector who readily faces and accepts the challenge of the many plate numbers that are being added to the series. Among this group there are diversified types of collections, not every one collecting the same way, the same thing, nor all denominations.

The biggest difference between the commemorative issues and the regular series is that the commemoratives are available in stock in all numbers and positions at the Philatelic Agency for a reasonably long period of time. In the regular issues the acquisition of all numbers and positions is a constant pursuit, without let-up. The collector is always faced with the challenging task of obtaining most of his plate blocks from previously unknown sources. These are obtained from the combined yield of local and distant post offices trading with other collectors and correspondents, plus various plate block dealers, who are also called upon to assist in filling wants of a constantly changing want list ever so often.

Nearly all collectors of the Presidential issues also collect commemoratives. They feel that the commemoratives alone are inadequate, for too few of them are released during each year, on an average, and they usually experience little trouble or difficulty keeping abreast and completing them. Therefore they turn to other issues, which gives them more activity and more pleasure in the pursuit.

The Presidentials being a series of 32 different denominations, from 1/2c to \$5, does add up to a rather high face value. Not every collector finds his budget large enough to stretch for the inclusion of all denominations, so we find various types of limitations. There are those who are satisfied to restrict themselves just to the lower denominations. Then others economize, either with several matched plate numbers of each value or one position of every plate number, or with plate singles. Here again you

have many ways of collecting, each one expressed by a combination of time, money, and expressed desire for limited or unlimited numbers and positions of certain or all denominations.

One pattern prevails throughout this entire series of Presidentials. The low values of 2c and 3c, and until recently also the 1c and 1 1/2c naturally have the greatest amount of plate numbers used throughout the entire 17 year period. Next is the 6c, which is the value carrying the one ounce first class air mail, followed by the 5c, 10c, 15c, 20c and 25c values, which are the ones used most in parcel post, plus the other denominations from 1c to 10c used in conjunction with the above. Most of the other denominations see gradually diminishing use on all types of mail and as their requirements are limited so are the number of plates used to print them.

To the specialist who attempts to complete all numbers, in all positions, the problem is uniformly difficult. Where there are many plate numbers he has to find that many more, and when there are few plate numbers, too few of them are around for they are scattered all over, almost to the point of scarcity.

The 1 1/2c Martha Washington, which was used extensively for many years in third class mailing, and commonly so for the mailing of Christmas and other greeting cards, in unsealed envelopes, had many plate numbers in use. Here is the list of all of them and all but four positions of the last two numbers are known to be in the hands of plate number collectors.

#### 1 1/2c Martha Washington Bistre Brown—Sc#805

Pre-electric eye perforations			
21873	21878	21882	21935
21874	21879	21883	21936
21876	21880	21884	21937
21877	21881	21934	22077
22078	22155	22175	22318
22079	22172	22315	22339
22080	22173	22316	22340
22154	22174	22317	

#### Electric eye perforations

22412	22432	22466	22645
22413	22433	22467	22646
22414	22464	22472	22876
22415	22465	22473	22877
22880	22918	23085	23089
22881	22919	23086	23090
22916	23083	23087	23203
22917	23084	23088	23204
23205	23289	23373	23453
23206	23290	23374	23454
23209	23371	23379	23697
23210	23372	23380	23698
23730	23742	23764	23778
23731	23743	23765	23779
23734	23756	23766	23823
23735	23757	23767	23824
23870			
23871			

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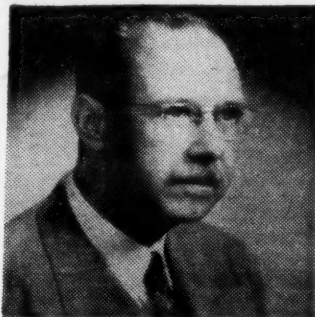
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### Sidney Barrett Joins Scott Publications

Sidney F. Barrett, one of the best known dealers in the stamp trade, has joined the editorial staff of Scott Publications as associate editor of Scott's United States Specialized Catalogue, working with Editor Gordon R. Harmer.



The annual task of repricing and revising the listings in the 565-page, 34-year-old "U. S. Specialized" will be started by Mr. Barrett as soon as the 1956 edition is published in November.

In addition, Mr. Barrett will act as consultant on new issue listings of the world in Scott's Chronicle, the supplement to the Scott Catalogues which appears regularly in Scott's Monthly Journal.

Mr. Barrett started as a full-time dealer in 1909 when he went with the Manhattan Stamp Co. Later he joined Stanley Gibbons, Inc., and in 1922 he became associated with the late Edward Stern in the Economist Stamp Co. This proved so satisfactory that in 1929 the company was incorporated and Mr. Barrett became a partner. This firm was dissolved in 1951 and he is now specializing in U. S. postal adhesive issues and Great Britain and Colonies, under his own name.

Mr. Barrett will welcome all suggestions and information pertaining to listings and pricings in Scott's U. S. Specialized Catalogue and Scott's Chronicle of New Issues. These may be sent to him at 87 Nassau St., New York 38, N. Y., or in care of Scott Publications, Inc., 461 Eighth Ave., New York 1, N. Y.

### Burglars Get \$1500 In Stamps And Covers

On or about October 21, during an absence of several days from his home, E. L. Branson, 103 W. 17th St., Austin, Texas was the victim of person or persons unknown who entered his apartment and removed several collections of stamps and accumulations.

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954 3c Mississippi	23	18	05	02
955 3c Chaplains	23	18	05	02
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## Prices Increase On The Italian Market

Several 1956 Italian specialized Catalogues, such as the "Sassone," the "Landmans" and the "Pergolesi" were just received by Vittorio Lo Bianco Inc. of New York. All show rather sharp increases and confirm the trend of the past few years. The Italian philatelic market is very strong, demand is growing and supplies are shrinking. This is true especially for good material, early singles and sets and, generally speaking, for scarce items.

Even a glance at the catalogues, according to Mr. Levi of Lo Bianco's, reveals a steady increase in all items of Vatican City, especially of numbers from Scott No. 1 to 60. This country will undoubtedly continue to go up steadily.

Italy, too, lists increases all along the line, some of them very sharp. The boom is especially marked in 19th century and early 20th century items, up to No. 174, but even recent commems are up. Italian colonies follow the pattern of Italy and Vatican with heavy raises in the good sets, the early items, the dues and parcel posts, the Tripoli Fairs and some issues of Italian Somaliland Mandate. Trieste and San Marino are up too but increases are less marked and not all along the line.

In conclusion, the Italian market is gaining strength and momentum and much good material that is now here will gradually go back there. A comparison with American quotations show that the increases registered in the 1956 Scott catalogue do not match those of the Italian catalogues and this fact explains why many items are being sold at full Scott and even higher.

## SOUTH AUSTRALIA (Continued from page 1)

government officials and residents in the islands to have on hand supplies of New South Wales stamps. This practice developed first in New Caledonia, for reasons which will be explained in some detail later.

The availability of New South Wales postage stamps in the islands therefore first came about purely by local arrangement and was not the result of Post Office directives. Later, following the establishment of a New South Wales postal agency in the New Hebrides, some directives were issued regarding the use of New South Wales stamps in that group but similar action was not taken in regard to the other island territories. The Post Office was quite aware that the appointment of postal agents might have had political repercussions.

Summarized, New South Wales stamps were available over varying periods in certain island groups but ceased to be required after adequate local postal facilities were provided. It may be emphasized, however, that while New South Wales stamps were regularly on hand over differing periods in various islands they were not held, except in the New Hebrides, for local mail use.

They were utilized for postage on articles intended to pass through the General Post Office in Sydney and while undoubtedly they were employed on some occasions to frank letters passing from island to island within territorial groups, such as the British Solomons, their use for this purpose would be exceptional as such letters could be carried only by private arrangement with officers or members of ships' companies.

## British Solomon Islands.

The South Solomon Islands became a British Protectorate in 1893. At that time there were comparatively few white residents in the group and the usual method of handling postal articles at the G.P.O., Sydney, addressed to residents in the Protectorate was for all articles to be enclosed in a sealed bag, labelled "Solomon Islands", and delivered to the purser of a vessel proceeding to the islands. On arrival, the purser opened the bag and distributed the mail as opportunity offered.

Letters from residents were handed to pursers on outgoing vessels and were either franked with New South Wales stamps, if the resident possessed them, or were accompanied by cash to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed when the vessel returned to Sydney.

One aspect which caused considerable difficulty for several years was the delivery in the islands of registered letters when the person or persons to whom they were addressed did not attend personally at the ship's side to sign the official receipts. Eventually, on August 18, 1903, the

Australian Postmaster - General of the day decided that registered letters addressed to the British Solomon Islands would not in future be accepted for transmission.

This decision was communicated to the Universal Postal Bureau, Berne, which informed member-countries of the Universal Postal Union but, despite the prohibition, registered letters addressed to the Solomons accepted by post office clerks in various countries continued to reach the General Post Office at Sydney and caused continuous administrative difficulties.

The Department thought that the registered letter problem had been overcome two years later when, on September 14, 1905, it accepted the offer of the then Resident British Commissioner in the Solomon Islands Protectorate (Arthur Oliphant) to receive all registered letters addressed to residents, sign official receipts and arrange for their subsequent safe delivery. However, as Mr. Oliphant very shortly afterwards relinquished the position the arrangement was not carried out.

Not until 1907 was the position regarding registered letter delivery improved as in that year a private mail bag was provided for the Resident Commissioner and all registered letters for island residents there enclosed.

As there was no registered mail service from the British Solomon Islands, the earlier arrangements still prevailed. Letters intended for registration had to be forwarded in the usual way to Sydney, accompanied by the requisite amount in cash (or affixed New South Wales stamps) to cover postage and registration costs from Sydney.

## Handling of Ordinary Mail

In regard to the carriage of ordinary mail from Sydney to the Solomons, two separate bags were made up as from September 1904. One, containing articles for residents of Gizo, was addressed to the Resident Magistrate at Gizo, who undertook to deliver its contents. The other bag for residents elsewhere in the Solomon Islands, continued to be under the control of a ship's purser. As indicated above, a third bag, addressed to the Resident Commissioner at Tulagi, was introduced in 1907.

Following Mr. Oliphant's retirement in 1905, T. W. Edge-Portington became Acting Resident Commissioner for a short period until he was succeeded by Charles M. Woodford, who had been a resident of the islands since 1897.

Mr. Woodford had for a long time adopted the practice of maintaining a stock of New South Wales stamps for his own use, as well as for the use of other residents. However, on July 25, 1906, he informed the High Commissioner for the Western Pacific (Sir Everard in Thurn) as follows: "The sum of 2d is enclosed in my mail bag (sent to Sydney) for payment of postage on each letter for the Australian Colonies and Great Britain. A sum of 2½d is enclosed for letters addressed to foreign countries."

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"The stocks of New South Wales stamps which I formerly kept are now almost exhausted, and I do not propose to replenish them. In place of the New South Wales stamps I am using a handstamp like the impression in the margin, of course forwarding the amount of postage in the mail bag."

The type of impression referred to by Mr. Woodford measured approximately 22 mm x 32 mm and is shown in the accompanying reduced illustration. This decision did not alter the requirement that New South Wales stamps were to be used but they were then affixed to letters in Sydney instead of in the Solomons. The distinctive locally used handstamp did, however, indicate the specific point of origin of letters.

About this time Mr. Woodford was considering the provision of postage stamps for the Protectorate and, as is known, he himself designed a set of stamps which depicted a New Georgian war canoe. Mr. Woodford arranged for them to be printed by lithography in Sydney and they were first issued in the Solomon Islands on February 14, 1907.

Mr. Woodford notified the Deputy Postmaster-General at

Sydney that the stamps had been issued but because they were only intended for local use it was still necessary for the British Resident Commissioner to forward, with letters bearing such stamps, a sufficient amount in cash to pay for the New South Wales stamps which had also to be affixed.

This unusual position prevailed for some months and further light on the situation is revealed in a letter dated June 28, 1907, from Mr. Woodford to the Deputy Postmaster-General, Sydney, this being as follows:-

"A proper Government Post Office has now been built at Tulagi and F. J. Barnett, the Collector of Customs, has assumed the duties of Post Master."

"The establishment of a Government Post Office has been for a long time a desideratum, as up to the present the bags of mail addressed to the British Solomon Islands Protectorate were opened on board the steamers and many complaints of the loss of letters and more especially of newspapers have reached me."

"An erroneous impression appears to exist that the Protectorate Postage Stamps now in use are not an authorized issue."

"I have, therefore, the honor to inform you that the issue of postage stamps for the Protectorate was authorized by The Secretary of State for the Colonies in April 1906, and that the stamps now in use are a government issue only."

"I propose to continue to forward to you in the mail bags made up at Tulagi the full amount of postage due on all letters, etc., and I will undertake, through the postmaster, the distribution of all mail matter which may arrive here in your mail bags without charge, until arrangements for the admission of the Protectorate into the Postal Union are completed by the High Commissioner for the Western Pacific, such negotiations being now in course of settlement."

"I would ask you whether, in the meantime, it would not be possible for you to recognize the Protectorate stamps to the extent that instead of affixing stamps of New South Wales to letters sent from here in the government mail bags, upon which the postage is forwarded in cash, and which are already stamped with the Protectorate stamps, you could merely stamp them with a postage paid post mark, signifying that the postage had been paid."

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Richard S. Bohn, Chairman of FIPEX, stated that the splendid progress being made in all directions, details of which will be revealed as soon as possible, are most gratifying and insure that this will be one of the finest international philatelic exhibitions ever staged anywhere.

Last week it was revealed that pledges for the Guarantee Fund have exceeded \$125,000, surpassing the amount pledged for CIPPEX for a comparable period. Of special interest is the fact that this amount was pledged by twice as many collectors and dealers, attesting to the wide interest that is being aroused over FIPEX.

Another indication of the enthusiasm being engendered by FIPEX on the part of the philatelic fraternity — collectors and dealers alike — is the number of booths and lounges that have been engaged by leading stamp dealers and publications, while various philatelic organizations have arranged for 26 lounges.

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There will be no additional cost involved for senders. A letter may be sent by certified mail from New York City, for example, to the Canal Zone for 15c plus postage—the same cost that would apply from New York City to Washington, D. C. And a letter from the Canal Zone may be sent to New York City for the same 15c plus postage. This is the cost that would apply for certified letters sent between points within the Canal Zone.

For the 15c and postage, the delivering post office keeps on file for at least six months a receipt of delivery that has been signed by the addressee or his agent. This will apply in Canal Zone post offices.

## Part I Gibbons' In 1956 Edition

In a centenary edition to note the first 100 years of existence of the company is the Stanley Gibbons' Postage Stamp Catalog, Part I dealing with the British Empire. The reference book itself is not that old—it's coming into being with a quarto edition of 16 pages in 1955.

The initiated know that the Gibbons' covers all the present and former units of the British Commonwealth of Nations, and it does so with listings of a specialized nature. Here one will find recorded the various watermarks and perforations in which an issue is manufactured; the firms which have done the printing; and the first day releases wherever definitely known.

There are 705 pages bound between hard cloth covers with numerous illustrations not only of the different stamp designs, but also of varieties of printing and engraving.

Commendable revisions in prices have been made for Australia, Cape of Good Hope, Ceylon, Hong Kong, Ireland, Rhodesia and early St. Vincent. The main revision in listings has been made for Victoria where the "half-lengths" have been entirely re-written.

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New Queen Elizabeth sets are now in preparation for British Solomon Islands (14 values, 1/2d to 10/-), Gilbert & Ellice Islands (12 values, 1/2d to 10/-) and Pitcairn Island (10 values, 1/2d to 2/6). Details as to the precise denominations and designs will be announced in this column as soon as known.

All three of these colonies enjoy great popularity because they can be completed by the average collector as there are no high priced classic stamps. Pitcairn Island, in particular, can even be completed on a "piggy-bank" budget.

As a regular feature of this column, we plan to turn the spotlight on each of Britain's possessions in alphabetical order, starting with the Crown Colonies. Particular emphasis will be on price differences between Scott's quotations and the actual London market and we shall also endeavor to supply comments on varieties, errors, shades and perforation which are not fully covered by our standard catalogue.

Interesting facts and figures about the various colonies will also be presented. Let's start our journey around the globe with...

Aden, a highly strategic colony located at the southern end of the Red Sea opposite French Somaliland. Aden actually consists of the colony proper with an area of only 80 square miles and a population of approximately 100,000 and the Aden Protectorate with an area of 112,000 square miles and a population of approximately 800,000.

Aden is essentially a transshipment point and bunkering station and is also an important commercial center serving Yemen and the African coastal areas opposite. It is also an air terminal of major importance between Europe, Africa and Asia.

The colony of Aden was annexed by Britain in 1839 and was administered from India until 1937 when the first Aden stamps made their appearance. Hence we find that prior to 1937, Indian stamps were in use and copies with "Aden Camp" cancellations are quite plentiful if you look for them. There are more than twenty separate sultanates within the protectorate, but only two are known to stamp collectors, the Kathiri State of Seyun and the Qu'aiti State of Shir and Mukalla.

Non-philatelic mail from these two states is practically non-existent and we therefore believe that they were issued by subtle British diplomacy for the principal purpose of flattering the two rulers by providing them with their own stamps. Apparently the other sultanates are not considered important enough for similar treatment.

Saudi Arabia disputes some of the territory of the protectorate and Saudi tribesmen often raid the area. In turn, one or two RAF planes go into action, drop one or two bombs and peace is restored for a while. This is one of the numerous "little wars" of which the general public is largely unaware.

In what respect do British catalogues differ in their treatment of the stamps of this colony? Let us examine them in chronological order. The first set, Scott No. 1-12, is one of the favorite issues of the KGV period and represents first-rate property, mint or used, with the latter slightly better.

This initial issue was followed by the three-value Coronation set of the usual design (1937) and it in turn preceded Aden's popular and attractive KGV pictorials, Scott No. 16-27. The British "Commonwealth" catalogue, always a stickler for shades, lists one separate shade each of the 1/2a, 2a, 2R and 5R values, while Gibbons' considers only the first of these worthy of listing as a sub-number.

This set is so attractive that it was principally responsible for renewed interest in the first issue which hitherto had not been considered a very popular item.

Next followed the Peace & Victory set, the Silver Weddings and the UPU issue, which turned out to be one of the best British Empire UPU 75th Anniversary sets, with the UPU sets of the two states even slightly scarcer. Next followed one of the most interesting, the currency provisionals of 1951, necessitated by the switch from annas and Rupees to shillings and cents. Similar currency provisionals also appeared for the two states. All of

these are now off sale and careful students of the British Colonial market consider all three an excellent bet for investment.

It is interesting to note that Aden No. 38, the 15c on 2 1/2 annas bright ultramarine, was found to exist with double overprint, a very rare stamp which sells in the neighborhood of \$100 per copy!

The 1953 QEII Coronation single was followed by the regular QEII issue which is currently in use. It is important to remember that the original 1953 colors are gradually being replaced by new colors which makes it all but certain that the obsolete values will rise in price before very long.

We have already received new colors of the 5c, 10c, 50c, 70c, 1/- and 10/-, and 25c, 2/-, 5/- and 20/- in new colors are now in preparation. Our advice is to get the obsolescences and to get them fast, mint or used!

The single 1/- Royal Visit stamp of 1954 rounds out the issues of Aden proper.

Interestingly, British catalogues quote higher prices for cancelled stamps even of the current Queen Elizabeth's! Scott takes the long-range view that larger used supplies may gradually become available and lists mint and used at the same level. However, this theory cannot possibly hold true of used stamps of the two states which are at the very least 15 to 20% better than the mint.

Scott shows three different perforations on the initial issue, No. 1-11 of the two states, but does not state that each individual stamp exists only in one perforation. Again, the "Commonwealth" lists some minor color variations. Aden's second most expensive stamp is Scott's Kathiri No. 13a, the 2 1/2a with inverted "Victory" overprint of which but a single sheet of 60 was printed by mistake. This rare piece has a net value of about \$135.

Both states followed their Victory issues with the customary Silver Wedding and UPU issues of uniform design. It is worth noting that the British Crown Agents ordered all Aden UPU stamps, twelve in all, to be printed in cents and shillings in anticipation of the currency change. However, the switch was delayed until 1951 which necessitated currency overprints on all 12 stamps—but at that time not from annas and Rupees to cents and shillings but the other way around!

Hope this hasn't made you dizzy. A single unoverprinted sheet of Qu'aiti No. 19, 1R on 1/- somehow slipped by and was sold that way. This oversight, produced Aden's most expensive stamp, Qu'aiti No. 19a, with a Scott price tag of \$500. It is traded for about \$350 retail and we have handled two copies at that figure. This stamp is almost certainly the rarest of all UPU 75th Anniversary errors and is the piece de resistance of a number of specialized collections devoted to that highly popular field.

The Kathiri State currently uses the attractive pictorial set Scott No. 29-38, while Qu'aiti's brand new set No. 29-40 which, for the first time, includes a 10 shillings, is even more intriguing in design. The latter state is now billed as "Qu'aiti State in Hadhramaut" on each value.

In conclusion, we strongly feel that Aden is and will remain one of the most popular colonies outside of the Western hemisphere with American collectors, the principal reasons being that they are pleasingly executed and that this colony, without the rare errors, of course, can be completed without taking out a second mortgage on the old homestead.

We'll continue our analysis of the various outposts over which the Union Jack flies from time to time, as space permits. Until next time, keep a stiff upper lip!

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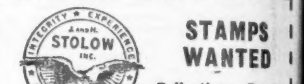
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### THREE GERMANIES (Continued from page 6)

Norway (100 years of Norwegian stamps); Austria (engraving and color trials of post war commemoratives); Portugal (commemoratives on specially painted leaves); San Marino (commemoratives since 1949); Sweden (classic material, and recent designs and proofs); Spain (modern semipostals); Vatican (a complete range).

It is less easy to sum up the 250-odd exhibits which filled the main body of the hall. They were varied, from junior collections to highly specialized material, even one exhibit which was confined to pre-postal history, i. e. it took in anything previous to the introduction of postmarks.

Here were rare letters from princes and merchants going back to the 14th century, exquisite specimens of the Italic handwriting so sedulously imitated today by those wishing to improve their natural scrawls.

And there was, of course, one U. S. exhibit to uphold the trans-Atlantic interest in a showing devoted mostly to material from the old world. It came from a Belgian collector, Dr. Robert S. de Wassermann, of Brussels, who showed "U.S. Fancy Cancellations" in a very interesting composition. Naturally, there was much U. S. material in the Zepelin section of the airmail items, but on the whole the show lived up to its name "Westropa"—West European.

#### Czechs Show Fine Items

I nearly forgot the three outstanding Czech contributors, whose presence was visible proof of the desire of philatelists from East and West to cooperate closely together. Felix Seebauer, from Brno, an eminent collector and author, showed a specialized showing of the work of the well-known Czech engraver J. A. Svengsbir, including unissued designs and engravings, trials, progressives etc., in fact a collection which can only be acquired by a man on the spot.

The other two entries were in the Honor Class and as such hors-de-concours. Dr. Karel Basika, Prague, displayed "Prague, cancellations, mainly on old letters" (one of the finest postal history collections it has been my privilege to see), and "Channel Islands, Second World War Issues"; and Karel Weber, Brno, was represented with a specialized exhibit "Dove type, 1920" which contained in part entirely unknown proofs and essays. In fact, a worthy entry.

One can continue ad infinitum listing the fine and rare items shown at any major international exhibition. But when I say that the German classics were well to the fore, and that the rest of Europe was not far behind, I hope readers will understand. It

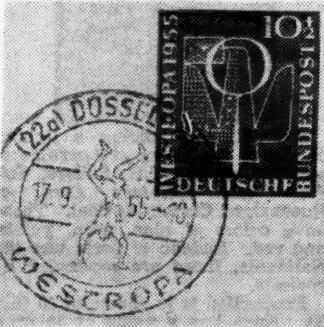
was a grand show, and I would like to record the fact that I was most hospitably received and was most pleased to meet friends old and new.

#### Westropa Stamps Not Popular In Germany

I noticed with regret that German collectors in general did not take kindly to the "Westropa" stamps, which I illustrate here with two of the special postmarks (the third, for the German Philatelists' Day, was not released until after my departure). I understand however from a member of the Federal Post Office Artistic Advisory Commission (which I personally like a good deal) were the best of a batch of seven, all of which incorporated a posthorn of one kind or another.



Here we have at least some original drawing, however unkind collectors of pretty pictures may be to them. They are well composed, they show originality of thought, and the colors are pleasant. If they are in the "contemporary" style, then they only matched the exhibition and present tastes in the art world.



One of the postmarks shows the famed "Duesseldorf Tumbler", a habit which I am told is peculiar to the Rhine metropolis, insofar as small boys are apt to turn cartwheels in the public highway on special and not so special occasions, and on the slightest provocation. I am glad that no bulky philatelists of Du-

esseldorf extraction tried to uphold the honor of their native town by emulating the small boy on the postmark. They preferred to leave this particular sport to the junior collectors!

The figure on the second postmark is an old letter carrier of the Thurn & Taxis posts. Neither postmark, by the way, has any artistic merit, but maybe artistry ended with the postage stamp?

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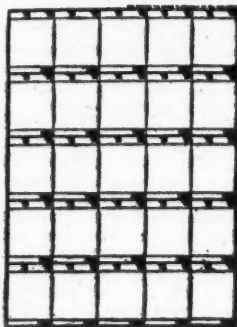
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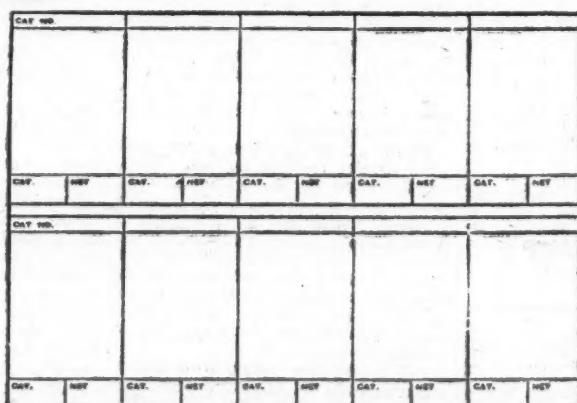
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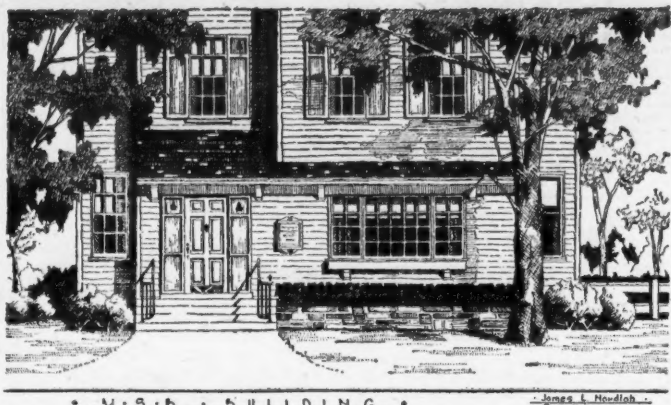
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## Sudden Appearance Of 5c Provisional

Without any previous warning, the Costa Rica Post Office Department placed on sale a 5 centimos provisional on October 14. It was made by surcharging a 2c green revenue stamp in red in three lines with CORREOS 5/CENTIMOS.

Julian A. Weston, Apartado 1032, San Jose, Costa Rica claims there was a printing of 800,000 of these, and that there was a legitimate need for the stamp. He further advises that due to near exhausted stocks of the 15c, a provisional can be expected of this denomination also.

Mr. Weston states that the Austrian State Printery is about



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ready to deliver to Costa Rica the four values of the National Industry issue — 5c pale blue; 10c blue; 15c yellow; 75c pink. These are not reprints but are made from entirely new plates.

## FRANCE

ONE CENT EACH:										26	58	78	82	86	91	92	# Mint Used	# Mint Used	B114	04
100	102	105	107	109	110	138	141	156	474	.04	.04	686	12	.07					B115	06
156	157	157	161	163	164	165	166	167	169	483	.04	.04	687	17	.08				B117	06
173	185	194	196	264	265	267	268	271	272	488	.08	.08	688	.04	.03				B118	06
275	359	359	360	360	361	361	362	363	491	.05	.05	689	05	.03					B119	06
364	365	366	369	369B	383A	384B	405	427*	492	15	.15	690	07	.05					B120	06
427	428	428	429	431	432	436	437	438	439	493	.10	.10	691	10	.08				B121	06
440	441	445	456	456	457	458	477*	477	494	.12	.12	692	05	.06					B122	06
478	478*	479	479	499	499	500	500	500	524*	495	.20	.20	692A	07					B123	06
524	525	525	526	526	527	527	528	528	528	496	.20	.10	693	.08					B124	06
530	530	532	532	534	536	536A	538	539	497	.05	.05	700	10	.07					B125	06
540	541A	541B	577	586	586	586	586	586	586	503	.04	.04	701	13	.04				B126	08
586	586	586	586	586	586	586	586	586	586	504	.05	.05	702	15	.08				B127	08
586	586	586	586	586	586	586	586	586	586	518	.05	.04	703	20	.10				B128	08
586	586	586	586	586	586	586	586	586	586	519	.06	.05	704	25	.10				B130	08
J69	J70	2N3*	2N3*	2N3*	P7*	P7*	P7*			520	07		705	.38	.20				B131	06
TWO CENTS EACH: <th>33</th> <th>56</th> <th>80</th> <th>81</th> <th>95</th> <th>97</th> <th>99</th> <th></th> <th></th> <th></th> <th></th>										33	56	80	81	95	97	99				
104	104	110	112	112	116	119	123	127	127	521	10	.08	706	.08	.02				B132	10
129	136	144	158*	158	161	163*	164*	165*	165*	522	.12	.12	707	.05	.02				B133	08
167*	169*	176	176	177	179	185*	227*	227*	228	523	.30	.25	709	.06	.06				B136	05
228	231	261	315	362*	363*	363A*	363A	363A	363A	533A	.04	.04	710	.15					B137	05
364*	365*	369A	369B*	401	402	402*	403	403	403	541	.04	.02	711	13	.05				B138	05
385	400*	400	401	401	402*	402*	403	403	403	541B	.04	.01	712	.75	.05				B139	05
403	403	403	403	403	403	403	403	403	403	542	.04	.01	713	.36	.06				B140	05
438*	446	457*	480*	480	481*	481	482*	482*	482*	542A	.04	.01	715	.25	.10				B142	05
484*	484	485	485	486	487*	487	489*	489	489	543A	.04	.03	715	.38	.20				B142	05
501*	501	502	502	505	505	506	506	506	507*	544	.05	.01	716	.10	.07				B143	05
507	508*	508	509	509	510	510	511	511	511	545	.08	.05	718	.10	.07				B144	05
512	512	513	513	514	514	515	515	515	515	546	.10	.05	719	.04					B145	10
563	563	564	564	565	565	565	565	565	565	548	.05	.05	720	.05					B146	12
565	565	576	588	589	589	595	595	595	595	548	.06		721	.06					B147	12
616	616	617*	617	618*	618	619	619	619	620*	549	.06	.04	722	.06					B148	12
620	659*	659	662*	663*	663	698	698	699	738*	550		.07	723	.10	.07				B149	12
J11	J11	J29	J30*	J31*	J34	J34	J38			551	.12	.04	724	.10	.05				B150	12
J46	J46	J48	J48	J63	J72*	J72*	J73*			552	.15	.04	725	.06					B151	12
J71	J71	J82	J83*	J85*	J85	J86	J86			553	.18	.12	725	.10					B151	12
J87*	J87	J88	N22*	N27	N29*	N29	N43*			555	.40		729	.10	.07				B158	10
2N1*	2N1*	2N2*	2N2*	2N4*	2N4	2N5*	2N5			555	.40		729	.10					B159	10
2N6*	2N6*	2N11*	2N11	2N12*	2N12	2N13*	2N13			556	.60		730	.06					B160	10
2N13*	2N14*	2N14	2N15*	2N15	2N16*	2N16	2N16			558	.04	.04	731	.08	.06				B161	10
P6	P6									558	.04	.04	732	.15					B162	08
										567	.08	.08	740	.06					B164	10
										568	.05	.04	741	.15					B165	10
										569	.08	.03	753	.07					B166	18
										570	.10	.04	758	.05					B167	10
										571	.12	.03	759	.06					B168	10
										572	.07	.07	760	.06					B169	10
										573	.06	.03	761	.13	.08				B170	10
										574	.20	.05	762	.15					B171	10
										575	.18	.05	763	.07					B172	15
										578	.04	.01	764	.13	.06				B173	10
										579	.04	.01	765	.07					B174	07
										580	.04	.01	766	.06					B175	15
										582	.05	.04	768	.07					B176	12
										583	.07	.05	769	.07					B177	12